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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT**

**MS Amendment**  
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Dear Examiner:

This paper is being filed in response to a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed on July 12, 2006. As this paper is being transmitted to the USPTO on July 17, 2006, it is believed that no extension of time or fee is due.

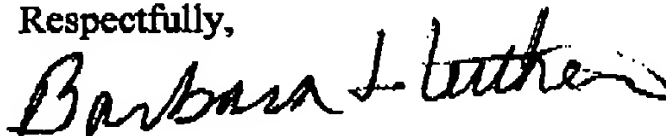
In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, Applicants provide the following:

The Notice stated that the first claim indicated an amendment, but the claim was not labeled correctly, in that the label was still "original", when it should have been "currently amended". Also claim 29 was missing a status identifier. These changes are shown on the attached amendment substitute pages 7 and 9.

Applicants believe that this is a complete response to the Notice.

Applicants hereby request that these changes be entered in the file history and that the application be examined on the merits.

Respectfully,



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Enclosure: Corrected pages 7 and 9 of the Preliminary Amendment filed 6/16/05

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Dear Mary:

Pursuant to my begging to get a notice of noncompliant amendment rather than the usual Notice of Abandonment, we finally do receive it. I have already prepared the response and attached is a copy filed by facsimile on Monday, the 17th.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to telephone me. It is a pleasure to work with you!

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Barb'.

Barbara J. Luther.

Enclosures: as above  
CC: Jifan Hu, Ph.D., GMR Epigenetics (hard copy only)